New Shoreham Deer Task Force Tuesday, August 31, 2010 Town Hall, Old Town Road 7:30 p.m.

Present: Chris Blane, Mary Sue Record, Maggie Komosinski, Bill Wilson and Pat Doyle. Also present in the audience, Bill Rader. Bonny Ryan was present to take the minutes. **Not Present:** Chris Blansfield, George Mellor, Becky Ballard, Paul Deane.

Meeting was called to order by Mary Sue Record at 7:35 p.m.

1. Public Input

Mr. Rader wanted to get caught up with what the Task Force is doing.

Mary Sue Record mentioned an article in the Connecticut Post. She will share the website with the members.

2. Approval of minutes

Minutes were approved with a sentence correction in a motion by Pat Doyle and seconded by Bill Wilson.

Ayes 5 (Blane, Record, Komosinski, Wilson and Doyle)

Nays 0

Absent 4 (Blansfield, Mellor, Ballard and Deane)

3. Old Business

- Fish/Krause/Diuk-Wasser study Bill Wilson reported that there was nothing to report. Mary Sue Record and Bill Rader spoke about small animal trapping on their properties.
- Deer Reduction plan
 - 1. Status of conservation lands plan and other groups –

BIC – no report.

TNS and Boy Scouts – Scott Comings needs to be contacted

Fish and Wildlife Proposal – It was suggested that a face to face meeting with Charlie Vandemoer be set up. Chris Blane suggested asking for Beane Pt. Property, Plat 20 Lot 17.

Chris Blane was given the support of the Deer Task Force in asking for Hunting on Town Land and Beaches near the North Light.

A motion was made by Chris Blane and seconded by Mary Sue Record that the Deer Task Force supports the effort to open up that parcel of Town land in the vicinity of Sachem Pond on Plat 1 Lot 16.

Ayes 5 (Blane, Record, Komosinski, Wilson and Doyle)

Nays 0

Absent (Blansfield, Mellor, Ballard and Deane)

• Contact with other places that have deer issues –tabled for a future agenda.

- Hunters and private land
 - 1. Letter to homeowners and access to information
 Bill Wilson is working on a letter (see attached). This letter will be run by the Police
 Department. Mary Sue contacted the Town Clerk about keeping the access to
 information at Town Hall. Information will be kept for one year only.

Distribution of the letter to homeowners was discussed.

- ➤ BIRA through either their email or on their website
- ➤ The Block Island Times

4. Subcommittee Reports

• Planning for the September meeting with Dr. Gifford. Pat Doyle, Bill Wilson and Mary Sue Record will meet with Monty Stover prior to the September 20, 2010 meeting with Dr. Gifford.

5. New Business

- Transfer station use for 2010-11 hunting season Becky Ballard is working on this.
- Hunting Information night: Date September 23, 2010 Time? Pat Doyle, Chris Blane Becky Ballard and Mary Sue Record will start putting together FAQ's about hunting. Paul Deane, Chris Blane and Chris Blansfield will come up with a list of hunters.

At 9:15 a motion was made by Mary Sue Record and seconded by Bill Wilson to adjourn and voted unanimously.

Minutes approved:

Bonny Ryan